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Be a part of the U.S. Small Business Administration's Expo '05 **Celebrating National Small Business Week**

(Anchorage) - This special event, taking place in **Washington, DC, April 25-28 at the Hilton Washington**, provides an exceptional opportunity to join forces with business leaders from around the country, network and celebrate the tremendous contributions made by America's small businesses to our nation's economy.

Come and learn about cutting-edge business practices, find out what's hot in business trends, meet government officials and talk with decision-makers that help shape the economy.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS BUSINESS MATCHMAKING

A unique opportunity for small businesses to meet one-on-one with federal and corporate buyers, and representatives from Fortune 500 companies to explore procurement opportunities.

EXPO FLOOR

More than 180 exhibitors from the public and private sectors will provide information and offer opportunities to network.

BUSINESS SESSIONS

A superb lineup of educational seminars featuring expert panelists discussing the latest developments and best practices in the world of business and entrepreneurship.

This is an opportunity for businesses to tackle the pressing issues facing entrepreneurs today; talk to the SBA Administrator and other special guests; ask questions and talk about what's on your mind. For more information contact Marilyn Stewart at (907) 269-7985 or go to the SBA web site at: <http://www.businessmatchmaking.com/regionea.shtml>.

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